

FIELD CROPS

HAY

All harvested hay totaled 285,000 acres in 2012, up from 280,000 acres in 2011. Yield for all hay totaled 4.75 tons an acre for a total production of 1.36 million tons. The average price for all hay was \$249 per ton. Harvested alfalfa acreage decreased to 200,000 acres from the previous year's total of 210,000 acres. Yield per acre was 5.50 tons for a total production of 1.10 million tons. The price of alfalfa hay decreased averaging \$256 per ton.

SORGHUM

Drought conditions continued to impact New Mexico's sorghum acreage harvested for grain at 19,000 acres in 2012 compared to 21,000 acres harvested the previous year. Yields averaged 42 bushels per acre for a total production of 798 thousand bushels compared to 1.34 million bushels produced a year earlier. The average price increased to \$7.22 per bushel. Total value of production was \$5.77 million, decreasing from \$7.98 million in 2011. There was a total of 21,000 acres harvested for silage with an average yield of 16 tons per acre, which produced 336,000 tons, a 118 percent increase from 2011.

CORN

Corn for grain production decreased from 8.10 million bushels in 2011 to 7.31 million bushels in 2012. Yields were 170 bushels per acre; harvested acres decreased by 2,000 acres to 43,000. The 2012 price per bushel averaged \$7.20 for a total value of production of \$52.63 million. Acres harvested for silage decreased 1,000 acres to 80,000. Yield was 25 tons per acre for a total production of 2.00 million tons.

WHEAT

Winter wheat production in the state was also affected by another year of drought in 2012 totaling 2.16 million bushels, up from 2.09 million in 2011. Harvested acreage decreased to 90,000 in 2012 compared to 95,000 acres harvested the previous year. The average yield was 24 bushels per acre. The value of production was \$16.20 million with an average price of \$7.50 per bushel.

PEANUTS

Peanut harvested acreage increased by 3,400 acres from the previous year to 10,000 acres in 2012. Yields were higher in 2012 with 3,200 pounds per acre. Production was 32.0 million pounds. Crop value increased from \$10.67 million in 2011 to \$15.14 million in 2012 with the average price at \$0.47 per pound.

COTTON

Upland cotton producers harvested 38,000 acres in 2012 compared to 58,000 in 2011. Yields were slightly higher in 2012 coming in at 1,061 pounds per acre. Total production for the year was estimated at 84,000 bales. Price per pound averaged \$0.70 with total value of production at \$30.24 million. American-Pima harvested acres totaled 2,300, a decrease of 1,100 acres from the 2011 total of 3,400 acres. Yields for the year averaged 1,043 pounds per acre.